

# Reid's Irresistible Hopper

## Recipe



- Hook: Dry Fly 2XL Size: 6-8  
Thread: Tan, 6/0  
Tail: Grizzly Hackle Fibers, tied short  
Body: Yellow Deer Hair, spun and clipped.  
(olive, cream or gray are also used:  
match the natural in your area).  
Wing: Dark Deer Hair, tied across the back,  
extended well beyond the bend of the  
hook. Crisscross the thread over the  
front half of the wing to secure it to  
the body.  
Hackle: Grizzly & Ginger, mixed.

*Tying Tips:* This fly is simple to tie. Standard techniques. Because of the long silhouette presented by this fly I also tie it in a #10 & 12. I have also altered the tail by adding a red or yellow wool tag.

*Fishing Tips:* Used during the hopper season. This fly is durable, floats great and is highly effective.

*Historical Note:* This fly was created by Don Reid of Michigan. I can not find out any information on Mr. Reid. In northern Michigan this is referred to as the 'Popcorn Fly.' Based on the information I received I would date this fly from about the late 1980s to the early 1990s.

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